

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel, without prejudice, claims 9-11, and 17-24; amend claims 8, and 12-16; and, add new claims 25-45, as follows, underlined material added, strikeout material deleted:

Claims 1-7 (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) A method of body manipulation in furtherance of treating lymphedema comprising the steps of:

a. providing a wrap adapted to fit about a body extremity, said wrap having a trunk region and limb regions, and a plurality of arcuate compartments distributed throughout said regions, ~~each of the compartments of said plurality of compartments being capable of selective pressurization and depressurization;~~

b. applying said wrap to said body extremity; and,

c. preparing the body extremity for receipt of lymph fluid via activation and deactivation of successive regions of said regions of said wrap, commencing with a proximal most region and ending with a distal most region ~~a first pressurization and depressurization sequence of select compartments within select regions of said regions of said wrap, and,~~

~~d. draining lymph fluid from the body extremity via a second pressurization and depressurization sequence of select compartments within select regions of said regions of said wrap, whereby the lymphatic system is stimulated so as to promote readsorption of pooled lymph fluid within surrounding tissue.~~

Claims 9-11 (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A lymphatic stimulation methodology comprising the steps of:

a. applying to a body extremity a wrap adapted to fit about a limb and trunk section thereof, said wrap including a plurality of sequentially arranged regions, each of said regions comprising a plurality of arcuate compartments distributed there through so as to define an array of compartments for said wrap, ~~each of the compartments of said array being capable of selective pressurization and depressurization; and,~~

b. reversibly sequentially pressurizing and depressurizing select compartments of said plurality of compartments in a distal to proximal sequence within a select region of said plurality of sequentially arranged regions beginning with a proximal most region of said wrap; and, sequentially ~~proceeding to a distal most region of said wrap.~~

c. thereafter repeating said sequential pressurizing and depressurizing select compartments of said plurality of arcuate compartments in a distal to proximal sequence for each successively distal region such that as one region is activated, a proximally adjacent region is deactivated.

13. (Currently Amended) The methodology of claim 12 further comprising the a step of reversibly pressurizing select compartments of said plurality of compartments in a distal to proximal sequence within a said select region beginning with a distal most region of said wrap and sequentially proceeding to a proximal most region of said wrap.

14. (Currently Amended) The methodology of claim 12 further comprising the a step of reversibly pressurizing select compartments of said array in a distal to proximal sequence.

15. (Currently Amended) The methodology of claim ~~14~~ 12 wherein the step of reversibly pressurizing select compartments of said plurality of compartments in a distal to proximal sequence within a select region beginning with a proximal most region of said wrap and sequentially proceeding to a distal most region of said wrap is a lymph preparation step.

Claims 16-24 (Canceled)

25. (New) The method of claim 8 wherein said activation and deactivation of successive regions of said regions of said wrap comprises pressurization and depressurization of successive compartments of said plurality of arcuate compartments commencing with a distal most compartment, and ending with a proximal most compartment of an active region.

26. (New) A method of body manipulation in furtherance of treating lymphedema comprising the steps of:

a. providing a wrap adapted to fit about a body extremity, said wrap having a trunk region, and a limb region having a plurality of regions and a plurality of compartments distributed throughout said regions, each of the compartments of said plurality of compartments being capable of selective pressurization and depressurization;

b. applying said wrap to said body extremity, and;

c. preparing the body extremity for receipt of lymph fluid via a first pressurization and depressurization sequence of select compartments within a select region of said regions of said wrap, said first pressurization and depressurization sequence beginning with said trunk region and proceeding to a distal limb region of said limb regions, said first pressurization

and depressurization sequence including a consecutive pressurization and depressurization of each compartment of the compartments distributed throughout a limb region of the regions of said wrap beginning with a distal chamber of each limb region and proceeding to a proximal chamber thereof.

27. (New) A lymphatic treatment methodology utilizing a garment for securing about a trunk and limb of a human body and comprising a plurality of inflatable arcuate chambers for selective pressurization, said methodology comprising the steps of:

- a. activating a single chamber of said plurality of inflatable chambers of said garment in furtherance of pressurizing said chamber; and,
- b. subsequently deactivating said single chamber prior to activating another one of said plurality of inflatable chambers of said garment, activation of said single chamber beginning in a distal chamber of said plurality inflatable chambers substantially corresponding to a limb extremity of a garment wearer, and progressing toward and beyond a first lymph node area substantially corresponding to a first lymph node group of the garment wearer so as to terminate proximal to a second lymph node group of the garment wearer.

28. (New) The methodology of claim 27 wherein activation and subsequent deactivation of single chambers of said plurality of inflatable arcuate chambers of said garment is conducted sequentially.

29. (New) The methodology of claim 28 wherein activation and subsequent deactivation of single chambers of said plurality of inflatable arcuate chambers of said garment is conducted successively.

30. (New) The methodology of claim 27 wherein said garment is secured about at least one arm of the garment wearer.

31. (New) The methodology of claim 30 wherein said first lymph node group comprises lymph nodes of a first arm pit of the garment wearer.

32. (New) The methodology of claim 31 wherein said second lymph node group comprises lymph nodes of a groin of the garment wearer.

33. (New) The methodology of claim 31 wherein said second lymph node group comprises lymph nodes of a second arm pit of the garment wearer.

34. (New) The methodology of claim 32 wherein said limb extremity comprises a hand of the garment wearer.

35. (New) The methodology of claim 32 wherein said limb extremity comprises fingers of the garment wearer.

36. (New) The methodology of claim 34 wherein activation and subsequent deactivation of single chambers of said plurality of inflatable arcuate chambers of said garment is conducted sequentially.

37. (New) The methodology of claim 36 wherein activation and subsequent deactivation of single chambers said plurality of inflatable arcuate chambers of said garment is conducted successively.

38. (New) The methodology of claim 27 wherein said garment is secured about at least one leg of the garment wearer.

39. (New) The methodology of claim 38 wherein said first lymph node group comprises lymph nodes of a first groin of the garment wearer.

40. (New) The methodology of claim 39 wherein said second lymph node group comprises lymph nodes of an arm pit of the garment wearer.

41. (New) The methodology of claim 39 wherein said second lymph node group comprises lymph nodes of a second groin of the garment wearer.

42. (New) The methodology of claim 40 wherein said limb extremity comprises a foot of the garment wearer.

43. (New) The methodology of claim 42 wherein said limb extremity comprises toes of the garment wearer.

44. (New) The methodology of claim 42 wherein activation and subsequent deactivation of single chambers of said plurality of inflatable arcuate chambers of said garment is conducted sequentially.

45. (New) The methodology of claim 44 wherein activation and subsequent deactivation of single chambers said plurality of inflatable arcuate chambers of said garment is conducted successively.